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POLICING & POLICY

Supreme Court: Federal Law Unconstitutionally Vague In Defining "Crime Of Violence"

USA Today (6/24, Wolf) reports on Monday "a deeply divided Supreme Court" ruled in a 5-4 decision that "a federal law requiring longer prison sentences for using a gun during a 'crime of violence' is unconstitutionally vague." USA Today added that the decision separated "President Donald Trump's two nominees in particular" as Justice Neil Gorsuch "joined the court's four liberals and wrote the decision," while Justice Brett Kavanaugh "delivered a fiery dissent" on behalf of "the court's other conservatives." While Gorsuch said, in announcing the decision, "In our constitutional order, a vague law is no law at all," Kavanaugh wrote in dissent, "The court's decision today will make it harder to prosecute violent gun crimes in the future."

The Washington Times (6/24, Swoyer) reports the court "invalidated a key part of a law designed to prevent gun violence," while the Washington Post (6/24, Marimow) reports, "The court said the statute provides no reliable way to determine which offenses qualify as 'crimes of violence.'"

Paris Cracks Down On Electric Scooters

Reuters (6/24, Crellin) reports, "If you're spending time in Paris this summer and decide to check out one of the 20,000 electric scooters buzzing along its boulevards, you might want to be careful how you ride and where you end up parking." Reuters adds, "Over the past year the city has become awash with the zippy two-wheelers, with 12 start-ups offering the chance to download an app and dash across the Seine for not much more than the cost of a metro ticket," but "the scooters' popularity, and the relative lack of rules around their use, has prompted City Hall to impose overdue restrictions, with fines for driving them on the pavement or parking them in doorways, crosswalks and other busy places." According to Reuters, "After two deaths and scores of injuries, residents have become increasingly vocal against the scooters, which are expected to number up to 40,000 by the end of this year." Reuters notes, "Even before the legislation kicks in, police have been stepping up their efforts," as "more than 1,000 tickets have been issued and about 600 scooters impounded, authorities said, and a new surveillance force has been set up."

Municipalities Consider Paperless Parking Tickets

USA Today (6/24, Kramer) reports, "Imagine how you'd feel if your windshield was clear but your mailbox was full of parking tickets you didn't even know you had racked up." According to USA Today, "License Plate Recognition – the same technology that gave us cashless tolling – is changing parking enforcement by putting an end to paper permits and window stickers and providing mounds of real-time data," and "that could soon give us ticketless parking tickets, opening a huge potential revenue stream for municipalities." USA Today adds, "At least one New Jersey parking official said he's waiting for the right moment to give it a trial run."

Detroit Police Use Aerial Support Unit To Fight Crime From Sky

WXYZ-TV Detroit (6/24) reports from Detroit, "When seconds count, and police are tracking the most dangerous criminals, a specialized unit is soaring high above the Motor City to keep us safe. 'If there's a car chase or a foot chase going on, we're able to cover a lot of ground,' says Lt. Todd Svenkesen, who oversees operations." According to WXYZ-TV, "Whether it's a barricaded gunman, murder suspect at large or street racing, their chopper helps protect both citizens and officers. 'We are able to get from one side of the city to the other in 4 minutes,' says Lt. Svenkesen," who "credits Detroit Police Chief James Craig with restarting the aerial support unit, which now flies daily in support of law enforcement. 'We're kind of like an added tool for the officers on the street, so if there's a large crowd we fly over and give a count. See who's there and we can zoom in with our cameras,' says Lt. Svenkesen."

New York City Police Preparing Safety Plans For World Pride March

WABC-TV New York (6/24, Ritter) reports from New York, "Millions of people are expected to flood Manhattan this Sunday for the World Pride March," and "it is a big job for the NYPD, and now they are sharing details of how they will keep everyone safe." The NYPD "is well-accustomed to handling huge events with massive security implications, but the Pride March is different," and "with rising hate crimes in the United States, it makes for a powerful reality when it comes to planning." The department "gave Eyewitness News unprecedented access to its intelligence bureau operations in an undisclosed location." According to WABC-TV, "The 'See Something – Say Something' command center is the NYPD's eyes on the city," and "surveillance cameras are in all five boroughs watching and recording. 'So they say "If You See Something, Say Something," and when you say something, this is where we hear it,' said Intelligence and Counterterrorism Chief John Miller."

Under New Strategy, Baltimore Officers Deployed To 120 Most Violent "Micro-Zones"

The Baltimore Sun (6/21, Rector) reports, "The Baltimore Police Department has implemented a new patrol strategy requiring officers to spend more time in 120 'micro-zones' across the city that have seen high rates of violence over the past five years, police officials confirmed to The Baltimore Sun. 'The commissioner has constantly told us that we are going to change the culture and change the way we do things around here, and this is just another example that we are going to try – a different thing,' said Col. Richard Worley, the department's chief of patrol." According to the Sun, "Under the new 'place-based policing strategy' introduced last week, patrol and other officers are required to spend 15 to 20 minutes three times a shift in the zones within their posts, either doing community policing like chatting with residents or business owners, or enforcement, such as car stops and investigative interviews." The zones, "which are two blocks long by two blocks wide, were the location of 30% to 40% of all serious violent crimes in the city in the past five years, Worley said."

IACP's three-day leadership training program, First-Line Leadership (FLL), is coming to Kansas this fall! FLL is a designed to meet the needs of current and aspiring leaders and focuses on three elements of leadership – self, people, and environment. The course will take place in Wichita, KS, September 9-11, 2019. Learn more and register. Contact **LeadershipServices@theiacp.org** with any questions.

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CRIME & DRUGS

"Operation Broken Heart" Nets 63 Arrests For Child Exploitation In Louisiana

WVUE-TV New Orleans (6/24, Thomas, Poe) reports, "Sixty-three people from across Louisiana have been arrested on child exploitation charges as part of Operation Broken Heart, the Attorney General's Office announced Monday, June 24." According to WVUE-TV, "The two-month long operation identified, arrested, and prosecuted people who allegedly produced, distributed, received, and/or possessed child pornography, engaged in the online enticement of children for sexual purposes, engaged in sex trafficking of children, or traveled across state lines or other countries in order to sexually abuse children." WVUE-TV adds, "Experts say the way to keep your children safe is by monitoring their phone usage and double checking the websites they visit. 'Although computers, phones, and gaming devices can keep us connected to our family and friends, these same devices, if left un-monitored, can allow unwanted persons to deceive our children into doing things they shouldn't be doing,' said FBI Special Agent in Charge of New Orleans Eric Rommal."

KALB-TV Alexandria, LA (6/24, Denton) reports, "Louisiana Attorney General Jeff Landry and other federal, state and

local law enforcement held a press conference in Baton Rouge Monday afternoon to address a series of arrests of child predators over the course of the past two months." Landry "said there were 63 child predators arrested in Louisiana over the course of only two months as part of Operation Broken Heart, making that 165 total this fiscal year. 'These child predators possessed, produced and distributed images or videos of sexual abuse to children under the age of 13. Some as young as 3,' said Landry." Landry "also emphasized that it was a team effort, including local law enforcement, Louisiana State Police, the FBI and the Department of Homeland Security. 'When you see these many law enforcement agencies working together, it really tells you there is a consistent problem,' Landry said."

Law Enforcement Seeking "Big Box Bandit" Wanted In Robberies In Three States

The Knoxville (TN) News Sentinel (6/24) reports, "Federal authorities are seeking the public's help to nab a man suspected of robbing four banks – including two in East Tennessee – and committing a carjacking in West Knoxville." According to the News Sentinel, "Investigators believe the man, dubbed the 'Big Box Bandit,' robbed FSNB bank branches inside Walmarts in Clinton and Kingsport last month." The News Sentinel adds, "In each case, the man walked in and demanded money be placed in a manila envelope, the FBI said in a news release."

The Chattanooga (TN) Times Free Press (6/24) reports, "As FBI agents and local law enforcement agencies began piecing together clues, they noticed he also robbed a bank inside a Walmart in Shelbyville, Indiana and a standalone bank in Candler, North Carolina." The Free Press adds, "Most recently, the suspect is believed to have car jacked an individual in West Knoxville on June 21 and used that vehicle in a robbery of a check cashing business inside another Walmart in Chattanooga later that day."

"Cocaine King Of Milan" Escapes From Prison In Uruguay

The Guardian (UK) (6/24, Tondo) reports, "An Italian mafia boss known as the 'cocaine king of Milan' has escaped from prison in Uruguay where he was awaiting extradition to Italy, the South American country's interior ministry has announced." Rocco Morabito, 53, "leader of Italy's most powerful organised crime group – the Calabrian 'Ndrangheta – fled the prison in Uruguay's capital, Montevideo, through a hole in the roof of the building." According to the Guardian, "Three other prisoners awaiting extradition to Brazil and Argentina – including one on charges of homicide – escaped with Morabito."

Florida's Crime Rate Dropped By 9% In 2018

The AP (6/24) reports, "Florida's overall crime rate last year dropped by 9% from the previous year, although murders and rapes increased." According to the AP, "The most serious crimes – including robbery and aggravated assault – decreased by 7.4 % from the previous year, according to the 2018 Annual Uniform Crime Report , which was released Monday." The AP adds, "The report showed 45,154 fewer reported offenses in 2018 compared to 2017." Murder offenses "rose by 50 homicides, a 4.7 percent increase, but that includes the 17 victims of the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School massacre on Valentine's Day in 2018."

TECHNOLOGY

Dutch Emergency Services Restored After Major Telecoms Outage

Reuters (6/24) reports the Netherlands suffered a nationwide telecommunications outage on Monday, knocking "police and emergency numbers offline for roughly four hours...before national carrier Royal KPN NV said service was restored." While a KPN spokeswoman said, "We have no reason to think it was (a hack) and we monitor our systems 24/7," Reuters adds that "Anna Posthumus, a spokeswoman at the National Coordinator for Security and Counter-Terrorism, said it is 'too early to say' whether there may have been a cyber attack." The AP (6/24, Press) reports that "KPN reported on its website that the nationwide outage affected both landlines and mobile services."

GLOBAL SECURITY

Belgian Police Arrests Suspect In Planned Attack Against US Embassy

Reuters (6/24) reports, "Belgian police have arrested and charged a man with planning a terrorism attack against the U.S. embassy in Brussels, prosecutors said on Monday." According to Reuters, "The man, identified only by his initials M.G., was arrested on Saturday." The man "denies accusations, the prosecutors said in a statement." Reuters adds, "Prosecutors said they had 'converging indications' that led them to believe the man was plotting an attack."

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